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CHAPTER 40, SECTION 4E OF THE GENERAL LAWS

AN ACT AUTHORIZING CITIES, TOWNS AND REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICTS TO ENTER INTO COLLABORATIVE EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS

The department of education through its regional offices shall cooperate with cities, towns, and regional school districts which seek to enter into collaborative agreements for the purposes hereinafter provided in this section.

Any school committee, acting for and in behalf of its city, town or regional school district, may enter into an agreement with one or more other such committees to conduct jointly educational programs and services which permit such committees to supplement or strengthen school programs and services; provided, that such agreement has been authorized by vote of each such committee and approved by the commissioner of education.

The agreement shall state the purposes of the program or service, the approximate amounts of money to be contributed by each city, town or regional school district, the cost savings aspects of the program or service and any other matters not incompatible with law which the committees deem advisable.

The agreement may be terminated at the end of any fiscal year by written notice of termination given by any party which has entered into such agreement to each other such party at least six months before the end of such fiscal year. Such agreement shall provide for the disposition, upon termination thereof, of all unencumbered funds and all equipment and supplies held pursuant thereto.

Each school committee entering into such an agreement shall appoint one person from its own membership or designate one person from outside its membership to form a board to be known as an educational collaborative board. The department of education shall be represented on each such board by the coordinator of the regional center, or his designee, in which the majority of such member municipalities are located, but such coordinator, or his designee, shall not be entitled to vote. Each such board shall select its own executive officer and shall adopt an appropriate name for purposes of identification.

Each educational collaborative board shall establish and manage a trust fund, to be known as an educational collaborative fund, and each such fund shall likewise be designated by an appropriate name. All monies contributed by the member municipalities, and all grants or gifts from the federal government, state government, charitable foundations, private corporations, or any other source, shall be paid to the educational collaborative board and deposited in the aforesaid fund. Said collaborative board may contract for the purchase of supplies and materials and for the services of such persons as it deems necessary in order to carry out its functions. No person shall be eligible for employment by said collaborative board as an instructor of children with severe special needs, teacher of children with special needs, teacher, guidance counselor or school psychologist unless such person has been granted a certificate by the board of education under the provisions of section thirty-eight G of chapter seventy-one or section six of chapter seventy-one A or an approval under the regulations promulgated by the board of education under chapter seventy-one B or chapter seventy-four with respect to the type of position for which he seeks employment; provided, however, that nothing herein shall be construed to prevent a collaborative board from prescribing additional qualifications. A collaborative board may, upon its request, be exempted by the board of education for any one school year from the requirements of this section to employ certified or approved personnel when compliance therewith would in the opinion of the board constitute a great hardship.

Each educational collaborative board shall appoint a treasurer, who may be a treasurer of a city, town or regional school district belonging to the collaborative. Said board may compensate such treasurer for his services as treasurer of the collaborative board in such amount as it may determine. Notwithstanding any provision of this section to the contrary, no member of the collaborative board shall be eligible to serve as treasurer of said board.

Each collaborative treasurer shall give bond annually for the faithful performance of his duties as collaborative treasurer in a form approved by the commissioner of corporations and taxation and in such sum, not less than the amount established by said commissioner, as shall be fixed by the collaborative board. Said treasurer shall receive and disburse any monies of the trust fund of the educational collaborative board he serves without further appropriation.

Upon the recommendation of the department of education, the state treasurer shall annually disburse to certain educational collaborative boards a monetary grant, pursuant to regulations adopted by the board of education. Said grant shall be subject to appropriation and shall not exceed a total sum of ten thousand dollars per individual city, town and regional school district which becomes a party to each such educational collaborative program or service as provided under the written terms of a specific agreement.

Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, no educational collaborative agreement between or among the school committees of two or more cities, towns or regional school districts requiring the approval of the department of education, shall be made except under the provisions of this section. Any educational collaborative heretofore formed under provisions of section four of chapter seventy-one B or formed under the provisions of this section in effect prior to the effective date of chapter seven hundred and ninety-seven of the acts of nineteen hundred and seventy-four shall amend its agreement to conform to the provisions of this section. A copy of said amended agreement shall be filed with the department of education.

AMENDMENTS TO CHAPTER 40, SECTION 4E

Chapter 753 1972

Allows school committees to expend monies received from the Commonwealth or other towns for joint educational programs without appropriation or credited to general revenue. Previously the school committee of the host town had to request full funding for such programs because monies received from other towns had to be appropriated by the treasurer.

Chapter 797 1974

Provides for the appointment of a member town treasurer as collaborative treasurer and for the establishment of an educational collaborative board comprised of school committee members with joint responsibility for collaborative programs and provides for monetary grants to be disbursed to educational collaborative boards subject to appropriation. NOTE: While enacting Chapter 797, the legislature has never appropriated funds to provide monetary incentives to collaboratives.

Chapter 323 1975

Allows school committees to designate a person from outside its membership to serve on the educational collaborative board.

Allows the educational collaborative board to elect any one of the member city or town treasurers to serve as collaborative treasurer.

Chapter 481 1978

Allows the Regional Center Coordinator to appoint a designee to represent the department of education on the collaborative board as an ex officio, non voting member.

Allows the collaborative board to contract for the purchase of supplies and materials and for the services of such persons as it deems necessary in order to carry out its function.

Allows the collaborative board to appoint a treasurer with the restriction that the treasurer be bonded and not a member of the collaborative board. Allows for the compensation of the collaborative treasurer.

Requires all collaboratives formed prior to the effective date of Chapter 797 to file amended agreements with the department of education.

Chapter 132 1981

Requires teachers employed by collaboratives to be certificated.

Allows the collaborative board to request a waiver of certification when compliance would constitute a great hardship.

LEGISLATION AFFECTING EDUCATIONAL COLLABORATIVES

Chapter 342, Section 14 1979

Amends Chapter 74 to allow regional school districts and cities and towns which are not members of vocational regional school districts to operate approved vocational education programs through the mechanisms of educational collaboratives formed under General Laws, Chapter 40, Section 4E.

Chapter 39, Section 23A 1978

Requires public boards to conduct meetings open to the public.

Chapter 348 1977

Authorizes school committees to prepay tuition to approved educational collaboratives for a period not exceeding three months.

Amends Section 28A of Chapter 151 A of the General Laws by clarifying the unemployment compensation rights of employees of educational collaboratives. This law allows the Division of Employment Security to treat collaborative employees as they now treat employees of public school committees by determining eligibility for unemployment compensation benefits based on the facts of the case, not on the employing agent.

APPROVAL PROCESS

Local school officials who wish to form an educational collaborative agreement or collaborative officials who are revising their collaborative agreement are advised to follow the procedure listed below.

I. Designated local officials contact "collaborative liaison" in the appropriate regional education center for technical assistance in the development of an educational collaborative agreement.

Greater Boston Regional Center	Christine Lynch	547-7472
Northeast Regional Center	Christine Lynch	727-0600
Southeast Regional Center	Curt Hall	947-1231
Central MA Regional Center	Frank Shea	835-6267
Pittsfield Regional Center	James Shiminski	413 - 499-0745
Springfield Regional Center	Joseph Flahive	413 - 739-7271

II. Collaborative liaison arranges meetings with specialist(s) in the regional education center and local officials to discuss specific program intent, and requirements of law and to review drafts of the educational collaborative agreement.

III. The collaborative agreement is reviewed by local counsel, approved by each member school committee and signed by the chairperson of each committee.

IV. An original and two copies of the locally-approved collaborative agreement is submitted to the regional collaborative liaison.

V. Collaborative liaison and regional program specialists reviews the collaborative agreement, completes form BSDRC 3.1 and forwards these documents to the regional center director.

VI. The regional center director reviews the collaborative agreement and forwards three copies of the agreement with a copy of form BSDRC 3.1 to the Bureau of School District Reorganization and Collaboration (BSDRC), along with his/her recommendation for further action.

VII. Upon a favorable recommendation by the appropriate regional center coordinator, the BSDRC will review the agreement documents and forward one copy of the agreement to the legal office for review.

VIII. Upon a favorable recommendation, the BSDRC will forward the agreement documents to the Commissioner of Education with a recommendation that the collaborative agreement be approved.

IX. Upon approval by the Commissioner of Education, two copies of the approved agreement will be returned to the collaborative liaison in the appropriate regional education center along with an approval letter signed by the Commissioner of Education and addressed to the local collaborative official via the regional center director.

X. The collaborative liaison will file one copy of the approved agreement and return the original copy to the appropriate local official with the Department's offer of continued support and assistance.

If a collaborative is disapproved during any stage of the above approval process, the appropriate local officials will be notified as to the reason for such disapproval by the regional center director or the director of the BSDRC. The Department through these two offices will continue to offer technical and program assistance to local officials until a satisfactory solution is arrived at.

BSDRC 3.1 Internal Form

Department of Education
Collaborative Agreement Approvals: New ____ Revised ____

Collaborative: _____

Local Contact: _____

_____
(Name)

_____
(Street)

_____
(city/town) (State) (Zip Code)

_____
(Phone Number)

- -

Regional Education Center: _____

Recommended by:

Liaison _____
(Date)

Program Specialist _____
(Date)

Program Area _____

Regional Center Coordinator _____
(Date)

Three copies of collaborative agreement received by BSDRC _____
(Date)

- -

Central Office

Recommended by:

Legal Office _____
(Date)

BSDRC _____
(Date)

Notified:

External Audit _____
(Date)

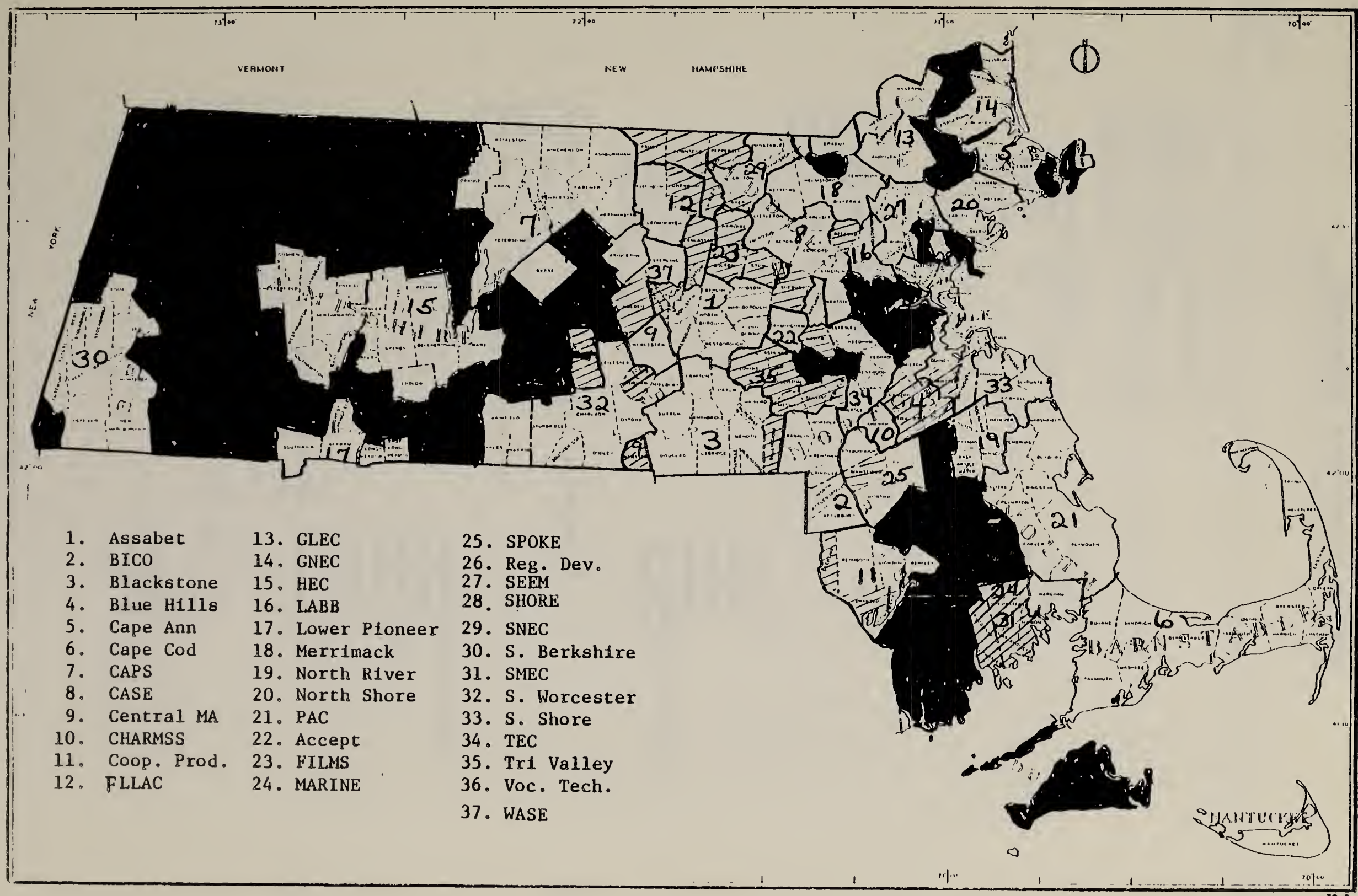
School Management Services _____
(Date)

Three copies of collaborative agreement forwarded to
Commissioner of Education for final approval: _____
(Date)

Collaborative Agreement approved by
Commissioner of Education _____
(Date) (Effective Date)

Approved copy of Agreement returned to Regional Education Center: _____
(Date)

CITY AND TOWN MEMBERSHIP IN
EDUCATIONAL COLLABORATIVES



1. Assabet
2. BICO
3. Blackstone
4. Blue Hills
5. Cape Ann
6. Cape Cod
7. CAPS
8. CASE
9. Central MA
10. CHARMSS
11. Coop. Prod.
12. FLLAC
13. GLEC
14. GNEC
15. HEC
16. LABB
17. Lower Pioneer
18. Merrimack
19. North River
20. North Shore
21. PAC
22. Accept
23. FILMS
24. MARINE
25. SPOKE
26. Reg. Dev.
27. SEEM
28. SHORE
29. SNEC
30. S. Berkshire
31. SMEC
32. S. Worcester
33. S. Shore
34. TEC
35. Tri Valley
36. Voc. Tech.
37. WASE

EDUCATIONAL COLLABORATIVES APPROVED
UNDER PROVISIONS OF CHAPTER 40, SECTION 4E

Regional Office			State Approvals
C.M.	1.	ASSABET VALLEY COLLABORATIVE Fitchburg Street Marlboro, MA 01752 Contact: Dr. Eileen M. Ahearn (485-9430, ext. 63) Communities: Algonquin Region, Assabet Valley Region, Berlin, Bolton, Boylston, Hudson, Marlboro, Maynard, Northboro, Shrewsbury, Southboro, Tahanto Region, Westborough	5-6-76
S.E.	2.	BICOUNTY COLLABORATIVE (BICO) 31 North Washington Street North Attleboro, MA 02760 Contact: Dr. Val R. Boudreau (695-2568) Communities: Attleboro, Bellingham, Franklin, King Philip Region, Mansfield, Norfolk, North Attleboro, Plainville, Seekonk, Somerset, Swansea, Tri County Vocational, Wrentham	1-26-77
C.M.	3.	BLACKSTONE VALLEY EDUCATIONAL COLLABORATIVE P.O. Box 441 Upton, MA 01568 Contact: Dr. Ray Budde (529-3028) Communities: Bellingham, Blackstone-Millville Region, Douglas, Grafton, Hopedale, Mendon-Upton Region, Milford, Northbridge, Sutton, Uxbridge	1-22-75
G.B.	4.	BLUE HILLS REGIONAL CAREER EDUCATION COLLABORATIVE Blue Hills Technical School 100 Randolph Street Canton, MA 02021 Contact: Mr. John D. Mucci (828-5800 ext. 71) Communities: Avon, Braintree, Canton, Holbrook, Randolph	10-18-76

N.E. 5. CAPE ANN COLLABORATIVE 1-2-75
20 Central Avenue 7-10-79
Danvers, MA 01923
Contact: Mr. Robert Kurtz (774-1013)
Communities:

Essex
Hamilton-Wenham Region
Ipswich
Manchester
Rockport

S.E. 6. CAPE COD COLLABORATIVE 5-1-75
Box 247
230 South Street
Hyannis, MA 02601
Contact: Mr. Brian Davis (775-7213)
Communities:

Barnstable
Bourne
Brewster
Cape Cod Region
Chatham
Dennis-Yarmouth Region
Eastham
Falmouth
Harwich
Mashpee
Nantucket
Nauset Region
Orleans
Provincetown
Sandwich
Truro
Upper Cape Cod Region
Wareham
Wellfleet

S.E. 7. CAPS COLLABORATIVE 1-14-76
53 School Street
Gardner, MA 01449
Contact: Mr. Robert J. Foley (632-2208)
Communities:

Ashburnham (Union 56)
Athol-Royalston Region
Gardner
Mahar Region
Narragansett Region
Oakmont Region
Orange
Petersham
Quabbin Region
Westminster (Union 56)
Winchendon

G.B. 8. CASE COLLABORATIVE 7-31-74
120 Meriam Road 10-5-81
Concord, MA 01742
Contact: Dr. Gerald Mazor (369-9500 ext. 285)
Communities:

Acton
Acton-Boxborough Region
Bedford
Boxborough
Carlisle
Concord
Concord-Carlisle Region
Harvard
Lincoln
Littleton
Maynard
Nashoba Region
Stow
Sudbury
Weston

C.M. 9. CENTRAL MASSACHUSETTS SPECIAL EDUCATION COLLABORATIVE 7-16-76
P.O. Box 430
Webster, MA 01570
Contact: Mr. Charles Senosk (943-1922)
Communities:

Webster
Worcester

G.B. 10. CHARMSS COLLABORATIVE 11-3-75
Tower Hill School
Adams Street
Randolph, MA 02368
Contact: Mr. Rick Sprague (963-7703)
Communities:

Avon
Canton
Holbrook
Milton
Randolph
Sharon
Stoughton

S.E. 11. COOPERATIVE PRODUCTION COLLABORATIVE 1-2-75
P.O. Box 85 8-8-79
North Dighton, MA 02764
Contact: Mr. James Lyons (823-1627)
Communities:

Berkley
Dighton
Dighton-Rehoboth Region
Rehoboth
Seekonk
Swansea

C.M. 12. FLLAC Collaborative 1-26-78
44 Wanoosnoc Road
Fitchburg, MA 01420
Contact: Mr. Robert H. Morin (345-5250 or 342-4981)
Communities:

Ayer
Clinton
Fitchburg
Lancaster
Leominster
Lunenburg
North Middlesex
Shirley

N.E. 13. GREATER LAWRENCE EDUCATIONAL COLLABORATIVE (GLEC) 9-23-74
10 High Street 4-9-79
Andover, MA 01810
Contact: Mr. Malchan Stanley (470-1990)
Communities:

Andover
Greater Lawrence Region
Haverhill
Lawrence
Methuen
North Andover

N.E. 14. GREATER NEWBURYPORT COLLABORATIVE 11-1-74
70 Low Street 7-10-79
Newburyport, MA 01950
Contact: Mr. Thomas Mahon (465-5322)
Communities:

Georgetown	Rowley
Newbury	Salisbury
Newburyport	Triton Region

SP. 15. HAMPSHIRE EDUCATIONAL COLLABORATIVE (HEC) 3-8-74
58 Pleasant Street
Northampton, MA 01060
Contact: Mr. Earle Batchelder (413-586-4590)
Communities:

Amherst	Hatfield
Amherst-Pelham Region	Northampton
Belchertown	Pelham
Chesterfield (Union 66)	Southampton (Union 66)
Easthampton	South Hadley
Goshen (Union 66)	Ware
Granby	Westhampton (Union 66)
Hadley	Williamsburg (Union 66)
Hampshire Region	

G.B. 16. LABB COLLABORATIVE 8-22-74
Burlington Public Schools 5-13-80
Center Street
Burlington, MA 01803
Contact: Mr. Kevin Foley (273-1870)
Communities:

Arlington	Burlington
Bedford	Lexington

SP. 17. LOWER PIONEER EDUCATIONAL COLLABORATIVE, INC. 2-20-75
811 Longmeadow Street
Longmeadow, MA 01106
Contact: Mr. Manley H. Hart (413-567-1091)
Communities:

Agawam	Ludlow
East Longmeadow	Southwick (Union 39)
Hampden-Wilbraham Region	West Springfield
Longmeadow	

N.E. 18. MERRIMACK SPECIAL EDUCATION COLLABORATIVE 8-23-76
101 Mill Road
Chelmsford, MA 01824
Contact: Dr. Derek Little (256-3985)
Communities:

Billerica	Tewksbury
Chelmsford	Westford
Dracut	

S.E. 19. NORTH RIVER COLLABORATIVE 3-22-76
34 James Street 12-2-80
Rockland, MA 02370
Contact: Mr. Joseph H. Mahoney (878-6056)
Communities:

Abington
East Bridgewater
Hanover
Hanson
Rockland
Whitman
Whitman-Hanson Region

N.E. 20. NORTH SHORE CONSORTIUM 5-02-74
McCarthy School
76 Lake Street
Peabody, MA 01960
Contact: Mr. Kevin O'Grady (535-6197)
Communities:

Beverly
Danvers
Marblehead
Masconomet Region
Peabody
Salem
Swampscott

S.E. 21. PILGRIM AREA COLLABORATIVE (PAC) 2-20-76
Daniel Webster School
1456 Ocean Street
Marshfield, MA 02050
Contact: Mr. Thomas A. Brinckerhoff (837-1312)
Communities:

Carver
Duxbury
Halifax
Kingston
Marshfield
Pembroke
Plymouth
Plymouth-Carver Region
Plympton
Silver Lake Region

C.M. 22. PROJECT ACCEPT COLLABORATIVE 9-27-74
11 Howe Street
Framingham, MA 01701
Contact: Mr. Michael Palladino (879-2085)
Communities:

Ashland
Dover-Sherborn Region
Framingham
Holliston
Hopkinton
Medfield
Medway
Millis
Natick
Sudbury

C.M. 23. PROJECT FILMS COLLABORATIVE 10-5-79
Nashoba Regional High School
Green Road
Bolton, MA 01740
Contact: Mr. Patrick Myer (779-2257)
Communities:

Bolton
Harvard
Lancaster
Maynard
Nashoba Region
Stow

S.E. 24. PROJECT MARINE COLLABORATIVE 6-27-79
2 New Boston Road
Fairhaven, MA 02719
Contact: Mr. Charles F. Foley (997-2971)
Communities:

Acushnet	Mattapoisett
Fairhaven	Old Rochester Region
Marion	Rochester

S.E. 25. PROJECT SPOKE COLLABORATIVE 2-1-71
315 West Main Street 12-27-79
Norton, MA 02766
Contact: Mr. John Stefani (226-0521)
Communities:

Easton	Mansfield
Foxborough	Norton

C.M. 26. REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT CENTER COLLABORATIVE 1-15-74
1401 Main Street
Holden, MA 01520
Contact: Mr. Forrest Gilmore Jr. (829-3537)
Communities:

Auburn	Spencer
Barre	Wachusett Region
Holden	West Boylston
Princeton	

N.E. 27. SEEM COLLABORATIVE 1-14-76
Little School
Barberry Road
North Reading, MA 01864
Contact: Mr. Robert Lyons (664-5971)
Communities:

Lynnfield	Stoneham
North Reading	Wilmington
Reading	Winchester
	Woburn

G.B. 28. SHORE COLLABORATIVE 3-7-75
Adams School
78 Tileston Street
Everett, MA 02149
Contact: Mr. Henry W. Owen (387-9705)
Communities:

Chelsea	Revere
Everett	Saugus
Malden	Winthrop
Medford	

N.E. 29. SNEC (SPECIAL NEEDS EDUCATION COLLABORATIVE) 8-22-74
P.O. Box 482 8-8-79
Townsend, MA 01469
Contact: Dr. Everett G. Thistle (597-8128)
Communities:

Ayer	Shirley
Groton-Dunstable	Tyngsboro
Lunenburg	North Middlesex

P. 30. SOUTH BERKSHIRE COLLABORATIVE 3-1-76
Main Street
Stockbridge, MA 01262
Contact: Mr. John W. Coster (413-528-2410)
Communities:

Berkshire Hills Region	Lenox
Lee	Southern Berkshire Region

S.E. 31. SOUTHEASTERN MA EDUCATIONAL COLLABORATIVE (SMEC) 7-15-75
Marie S. Howard School
232 Middle Road
Acushnet, MA 02743
Contact: Mr. Robert Dunn (998-5770)
Communities:

Acushnet	Mattapoisett
Fairhaven	Old Rochester Region
Marion	Rochester

C.M. 32. SOUTHERN WORCESTER COUNTY COLLABORATIVE 11-18-75
P.O. Box 517
Southbridge, MA 01550
Contact: Mr. David F. Jamieson, Jr. (764-2724)
Communities:

Auburn	Oxford
Brimfield (Union 61)	Southbridge
Brookfield (Union 61)	Sturbridge (Union 61)
Dudley-Charlton Region	Tantasqua Region
Holland (Union 61)	Wales (Union 61)
Leicester	Webster

G.B. 33. SOUTH SHORE COLLABORATIVE 5-17-76
19 Fort Hill Street 11-3-80
I Quarters
Hingham, MA 02043
Contact: Dr. Michael Savage (749-7518 or 9)
Communities:

Braintree	Norwell
Cohasset	Quincy
Hingham	Scituate
Hull	Weymouth

G.B. 34. TEC COLLABORATIVE 5-22-74
C/O Memorial School 7-3-80
Eliot Street 11-17-81
South Natick, MA 01760
Contact: Mr. Roger Ritch (237-2038)
Communities:

Dedham	Walpole
Natick	Wayland
Needham	Wellesley
Norwood	Westwood

C.M. 35. TRI VALLEY SPECIAL EDUCATION COLLABORATIVE 6-28-79
Hollis Street
Holliston, MA 01746
Contact: Ms. Mary Farragher (429-6363)
Communities:

Ashland	Medfield
Holliston	Medway
Hopkinton	Millis

S.E. 36. VOCATIONAL TECHNICAL SPECIAL NEEDS COLLABORATIVE 7-7-75
250 Foundry Street
South Easton, MA 02375
Contact: Mr. Thomas E. Cosato (238-4371)
Communities:

Bristol-Plymouth Region
Old Colony Region
Southeastern Region

C.M. 37. WASE COLLABORATIVE 7-24-79
Major Edward's School
Crescent Street
West Boylston, MA 01583
Contact: Mr. David O'Donnell (835-3391)
Communities:

Holden	Sterling
Spencer	West Boylston

SUMMARY

G.B. Greater Boston Regional Education Center
Collaboratives: Seven (7)
Contact: Christine M. Lynch (547-7472)

N.E. Northeast Regional Education Center
Collaboratives: Seven (7)
Contact: Christine M. Lynch (727-0600)

S.E. Southeast Regional Education Center
Collaboratives: Nine (9)
Contact: E. Curtis Hall (947-1231)

C.M. Central MA Regional Education Center
Collaboratives: Eleven (11)
Contact: Frank Shea (835-6266)

S. Springfield Regional Education Center
Collaboratives: Two (2)
Contact: Joseph Flahive (413-739-7271)

P. Pittsfield Regional Education Center
Collaboratives: One (1)
Contace: James Shiminski (413-499-0745)

Non-Operating Collaboratives:

Franklin County
Masconomet

Collaboratives Dissolved:

1976 Quabbin Collaborative
1976 766 Collaborative
1979 Collaborative for Visually Handicapped
1980 Berkshire Collaborative
1980 Westover Occupational Resource Collaborative
1980 Verbal Communication Collaborative
1982 Worcester County Collaborative

Approvals Pending:

NEED Collaborative
READS Collaborative

SCHOOL DISTRICTS PARTICIPATING IN COLLABORATIVE PROGRAMS

COMMUNITY	COLLABORATIVE	GRADE LEVEL
Abington	North River	
Acton	CASE	
Acushnet	SMEC	
	Project Marine	
	**Voc. Tech.	9-12
Adams	See Adams Cheshire	
Agawam	Lower Pioneer	
Alford	See S. Berkshire	
Amesbury		
Amherst	Hampshire	
Andover	Greater Lawrence	
Arlington	LABB	
Ashburnham	CAPS	
Ashby	See N. Middlesex	
Ashfield		
Ashland	Project Accept	
	Tri Valley	
Athol	See Athol-Royalston	
Attleboro	BICO	
Auburn	Reg. Dev. Center	
	S. Worcester	
Avon	CHARMSS	
	Blue Hills	
Ayer	FLLAC	
	SNEC	
Barnstable	Cape Cod	
Barre	*CAPS	7-12
	Reg. Dev. Center	
Becket	See C. Berkshire	
Bedford	CASE	
	LABB	
Belchertown	Hampshire	
Bellingham	Blackstone Valley	
	BICO	
Belmont		
Berkley	Cooperative Prod.	
	**Voc. Tech.	9-14
Berlin	Assabet Valley	
Bernardston		
Beverly	North Shore	
Billerica	Merrimac	
Blackstone	See Blackstone-Millville	
Blanford	See Gateway	
Bolton	Assabet	
	FILMS	

COMMUNITY	COLLABORATIVE	GRADE LEVEL
Boston		
Bourne	Cape Cod	
Boxborough	CASE	
Boxford	*North Shore	7-12
Boylston	Assabet Valley	
Braintree	Blue Hills	
	South Shore	
Brewster	Cape Cod	
Bridgewater	**Voc. Tech.	9-12
Brimfield	S. Worcester	
Brockton	**Voc. Tech.	9-12
Brookfield	S. Worcester	
Brookline		
Buckland	N/O	
Burlington	LABB	
Cambridge		
Canton	CHARMSS	
	Blue Hills	
Carlisle	CASE	
Carver	Pilgrim Area	
	**Voc. Tech.	9-12
Charlemont	N/O	
Charlton	See Dudley-Charlton	
Chatham	Cape Cod	
Chelmsford	Merrimac	
Chelsea	Shore	
Cheshire	See Adams-Cheshire	
Chester	See Gateway	
Chesterfield	Hampshire	
Chicopee		
Chilmark		
Clarksburg		
Clinton	FLLAC	
Cohasset	South Shore	
Colrain	N/O	
Concord	CASE	
Conway		
Cummington	See C. Berkshire	
Dalton	See C. Berkshire	
Danvers	North Shore	
Dartmouth		
Dedham	TEC	
Deerfield		
Dennis	See Dennis-Yarmouth	
Dighton	Cooperative Prod.	

COMMUNITY	COLLABORATIVE	GRADE LEVEL
Douglas	Blackstone Valley	
Dover	*Project Accept	7-12
Dracut	Merrimac	
Dudley	See Dudley-Charlton	
Dunstable	See Groton-Dunstable	
Duxbury	Pilgrim Area	
E. Bridgewater	**Voc. Tech.	9-12
	North River	
E. Brookfield		
Eastham	Cape Cod	
Easthampton	Hampshire	
E. Longmeadow	Lower Pioneer	
Easton	Project Spoke	
	**Voc. Tech.	9-12
Edgartown		
Egremont	See S. Berkshire	
Erving		
Essex	Cape Ann	
Everett	Shore	
Fairhaven	SMEC	
	Project Marine	
Fall River		
Falmouth	Cape Cod	
Fitchburg	FLLAC	
Florida		
Foxborough	Project Spoke	
	**Voc. Tech.	9-12
Framingham	Project Accept	
Franklin	BICO	
Freetown		
Gardner	CAPS	
Gay Head	N/O	
Georgetown	Greater Newburyport	
Gill	See Gill Montague	
Gloucester		
Goshen	Hampshire	
Gosnold		
Grafton	Blackstone Valley	
Granby	Hampshire	
Granville		
Gr. Barrington	See Berkshire Hills	
Greenfield		
Groton	See Groton-Dunstable	
Groveland		
Hadley	Hampshire	
Halifax	Pilgrim Area	
Hamilton	See Hamilton-Wenham	
Hampden	*Lower Pioneer	9-12
Hancock		
Hanover	North River	
Hanson	North River	K-8
Hardwick	*CAPS	7-12
Harvard	CASE	
	FILMS	
Harwich	Cape Cod	
Hatfield	Hampshire	
Haverhill	Gr. Lawrence	
Hawley	N/O	
Heath	N/O	
Hingham	South Shore	
Hinsdale	See Central Berkshire	
Holbrook	CHARMSS	
	Blue Hills	
Holden	Reg. Dev. Center	
	WASE	K-8
Holland	S. Worcester	
Holliston	Project Accept	
	Tri Valley	
Holyoke		
Hopedale	Blackstone Valley	
Hopkinton	Project Accept	
	Tri Valley	
Hubbardston	*CAPS	7-12
Hudson	Assabet Valley	
Hull	South Shore	
Huntington	See Gateway	
Ipswich	Cape Ann	
Kingston	Pilgrim Area	
Lakeville		
Lancaster	*CASE	9-12
	FILMS	
	FLLAC	
Lanesborough		
Lawrence	Greater Lawrence	
Lee	S. Berkshire	
Leicester	S. Worcester	
Lenox	S. Berkshire	
Leominster	FLLAC	
Leverett	*Hampshire	7-12
Lexington	LABB	
Leyden		
Lincoln	CASE	K-8
Littleton	CASE	
Longmeadow	Lower Pioneer	

COMMUNITY	COLLABORATIVE	GRADE LEVEL
Lowell		
Ludlow	Lower Pioneer	
Lunenburg	FLLAC	
	SNEC	
Lynn		
Lynnfield	SEEM	
Malden	Shore	
Manchester	Cape Ann	
Mansfield	Project Spoke	
	BICO	
	**Voc. Tech.	9-12
Marblehead	North Shore	
Marion	**Cape Cod	9-12
	Project Marine	
	SMEC	
Marlborough	Assabet Valley	
Marshfield	Pilgrim Area	
Mashpee	Cape Cod	
Mattapoisett	Project Marine	
	SMEC	
	**Voc. Tech.	9-12
Maynard	CASE	
	FILMS	
	Assabet Valley	
Medfield	Project Accept	
	Tri Valley	
Medford	Shore	
Medway	Project Accept	
	Tri Valley	
Melrose		
Mendon	See Mendon-Upton	
Merrimac		
Methuen	Greater Lawrence	
Middleborough	**Voc. Tech.	9-12
Middlefield	See Gateway	
Middleton	North Shore	7-12
Milford	Blackstone Valley	
Millbury	Blackstone Valley	
Millis	Project Accept	
	Tri Valley	
Millville	See Blackstone-Millville	
Milton	CHARMSS	
Monroe		
Monson		
Montague	See Gill-Montague	
Monterey	See S. Berkshire	
Montgomery	See Gateway	
Mt. Washington	N/O	
Nahant		

COMMUNITY	COLLABORATIVE	GRADE LEVEL
Nantucket	Cape Cod	
Natick	TEC	
	Project Accept	
Needham	TEC	
New Ashford	N/O	
New Bedford		
New Braintree		
Newbury	Greater Newburyport	
Newburyport	Greater Newburyport	
New Marlborough	See S. Berkshire	
New Salem	N/O	
Newton		
Norfolk	BICO	
North Adams		
Northampton	Hampshire	
North Andover	Greater Lawrence	
North Attleboro	BICO	
Northborough	Assabet Valley	
Northbridge	Blackstone Valley	
North Brookfield		
Northfield		
North Reading	SEEM	
Norton	Project Spoke	
	**Voc. Tech.	9-12
Norwell	South Shore	
Norwood	TEC	
Oak Bluffs		
Oakham	*CAPS	7-12
Orange	CAPS	
Orleans	Cape Cod	
Otis		
Oxford	S. Worcester	
Palmer		
Paxton	*Reg. Dev. Center	9-12
Peabody	North Shore	
Pelham	Hampshire	
Pembroke	Pilgrim Area	
Pepperell	See N. Middlesex	
Peru	See C. Berkshire	
Petersham	CAPS	
Phillipston	See Narragansett	
Pittsfield		
Plainfield	N/O	
Plainville	BICO	
Plymouth	Pilgrim Area	
Plympton	Pilgrim Area	
Princeton	Reg. Dev. Center	

COMMUNITY	COLLABORATIVE	GRADE LEVEL
Provincetown	Cape Cod	
Quincy	South Shore	
Randolph	CHARMSS	
	Blue Hills	
Raynham	**Voc. Tech.	9-12
Reading	SEEM	
Rehoboth	Cooperative Prod.	
Revere	Shore	
Richmond		
Rochester	Project Marine	
	**Voc. Tech.	9-12
	SMEC	
Rockland	North River	
Rockport	Cape Ann	
Rowe		
Rowley	Greater Newburyport	
Royalston	See Athol-Royalston	
Russell	See Gateway	
Rutland	*Reg. Dev. Center	9-12
Salem	North Shore	
Salisbury	Greater Newburyport	
Sandisfield		
Sandwich	Cape Cod	
Saugus	Shore	
Savoy		
Scituate	South Shore	
Seekonk	BICO	
	Cooperative Prod.	
Sharon	CHARMSS	
	**Voc. Tech.	9-12
Sheffield	See S. Berkshire	
Shelbourne	N/O	
Sherborn	*Project Accept	7-12
	**BICO	9-12
Shirley	FLLAC	
	SNEC	
Shrewsbury	Assabet Valley	
Shutesbury	*Hampshire	7-12
Somerset	BICO	
Somerville		
Southampton	Hampshire	
Southboro	Assabet Valley	
Southbridge	S. Worcester	
South Hadley	Hampshire	
Southwick	Lower Pioneer	
Spencer	Reg. Dev. Center	K-8
	WASE	K-8

COMMUNITY	COLLABORATIVE	GRADE LEVEL
Springfield		
Sterling	*Reg. Dev. Center	9-12
	WASE	K-8
Stockbridge	See Berkshire Hills	
Stoneham	SEEM	
Stoughton	CHARMSS	
	**Voc. Tech.	9-12
Stow	CASE	
	FILMS	
Sturbridge	S. Worcester	
Sudbury	CASE	K-8
	Project Accept	
Sunderland		
Sutton	Blackstone Valley	
Swampscott	North Shore	
Swansea	BICO	
	Cooperative Prod.	
Taunton	**Voc. Tech.	9-12
Templeton	See Narragansett	
Tewksbury	Merrimac	
Tisbury		
Tolland	N/O	
Topsfield	North Shore	7-12
Townsend	See N. Middlesex	
Truro	Cape Cod	
Tyngsboro	SNEC	
Tyringham	N/O	
Upton	See Mendon-Upton	
Uxbridge	Blackstone Valley	
Wakefield		
Wales	S. Worcester	
Walpole	TEC	
Waltham		
Ware	Hampshire	
Wareham	Cape Cod	
Warren		
Warwick		
Washington	See Central Berkshire	
Watertown		
Wayland	TEC	
Webster	Central MA	
	S. Worcester	
Wellesley	TEC	
Wellfleet	Cape Cod	
Wendell	N/O	
Wenham	See Hamilton-Wenham	
Westborough	Assabet Valley	

COMMUNITY	COLLABORATIVE	GRADE LEVEL	COMMUNITY	COLLABORATIVE	GRADE LEVEL
West Boylston	Reg. Dev. Center		Weymouth	South Shore	
	WASE		Whately		
W. Bridgewater	**Voc. Tech.	9-12	Whitman	North River	K-8
W. Brookfield			Wilbraham	*Lower Pioneer	9-12
Westfield			Williamsburg	Hampshire	
Westford	Merrimac		Williamstown		
Westhampton	Hampshire		Wilmington	SEEM	
Westminster	CAPS		Winchendon	CAPS	
West Newbury			Winchester	SEEM	
Weston	CASE		Windsor	See Central Berkshire	
Westport			Winthrop	Shore	
W. Springfield	Lower Pioneer		Woburn	SEEM	
W. Stockbridge	See Berkshire		Worcester	Central MA	
West Tisbury			Worthington	See Gateway	
Westwood	TEC		Wrentham	BICO	
			Yarmouth	See Dennis-Yarmouth	

K-12 Regional District	Collaborative	K-12 Regional District	Collaborative
Adams-Cheshire		Gill-Montague	
Athol-Royalston	CAPS	Groton Dunstable	SNEC
Berkshire Hills	S. Berkshire	Hamilton-Wenham	Cape Ann
Blackstone-Millville	Blackstone Valley	Mendon-Upton	Blackstone
Central Berkshire		Narragansett	CAPS
Dennis-Yarmouth	Cape Cod	North Middlesex	FLLAC/SNEC
Dudley-Charlton	S. Worcester	Southern Berkshire	S. Berkshire
Gateway			

Partial District	Collaborative	Grade Level
Acton-Boxboro	CASE	7-12
Amherst-Pelham	Hampshire	7-12
Ashburnham-Westminster	CAPS	7-12
Berlin-Boylston	Assabet Valley	7-12
Bridgewater-Raynham		9-12
Buckland-Colrain-Shelburne		K-6

PARTIAL DISTRICT	COLLABORATIVE	GRADE LEVEL
Concord-Carlisle	CASE	9-12
Dighton-Rehoboth	Cooperative Prod.	9-12
Dover-Sherborn	Project Accept	7-12
Freetown-Lakeville		5-12
Frontier		7-12
Hampden-Wilbraham	Lower Pioneer	9-12
Hampshire	Hampshire	7-12
Hawlemont		K-6
King Philip	BICO	7-12
Lincoln-Sudbury		9-12
Ralph C. Mahar	CAPS	7-12
Martha's Vineyard		9-12
Masconomet	North Shore	7-12
Mohawk		7-12
Mr. Greylock		7-12
Nashoba	CASE	9-12
	FILMS	9-12
Nauset	Cape Cod	5-12
New Salem-Wendell		K-6
Northboro-Southboro	Assabet Valley	9-12
Old Rochester	Project Marine	7-12
	SMEC	7-12
Pentucket		7-12
Pioneer Valley		7-12
Plymouth-Carver	Pilgrim Area	7-12
Quabbin	CAPS	7-12
Quaboag		7-12
Silver Lake	Pilgrim Area	7-12
Spencer-East Brookfield		9-12
Tantasqua	S. Worcester	7-12
Triton	Greater Newburyport	7-12
Wachusett		9-12
Whitman-Hanson	N. River	9-12

VOCATIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT	COLLABORATIVE
Assabet Valley	Assabet Valley
Bristol-Plymouth	Voc. Tech.
Cape Cod	Cape Cod
Greater Lawrence	Greater Lawrence
Old Colony	Voc. Tech.
Southeastern	Voc. Tech.
Tri County	BICO
Upper Cape Cod	Cape Cod

SUMMARY OF SCHOOL DISTRICT MEMBERSHIP IN COLLABORATIVE PROGRAMS

292	Cities and Towns
15	K-12 Regional School Districts
37	Partial Regional School Districts
27	Vocational Districts
371	Total School Districts in Massachusetts

Of 371 School Districts, 210 participate in one collaborative:

171	Cities and Towns
10	K-12 Districts
21	Partial Districts
8	Vocational Districts
210	

Of 371 School Districts, 38 participate in two collaboratives:

35	Cities and Towns
1	K-12 Districts
2	Partial Districts
0	Vocational Districts
38	

Of 371 School Districts, 1 participates in three collaboratives:

1	Cities and Towns
0	K-12 Districts
0	Partial Districts
0	Vocational Districts
1	

Of 371 School Districts, 122 are not members of a collaborative:

85	Cities and Towns
4	K-12 Districts
14	Partial Districts
19	Vocational Districts
122	

MEMBERS OF ONE COLLABORATIVE

Cities and Towns

Abington
Acton
Agawam
Amherst
Andover
Arlington
Ashburnham
Attleboro
Ayer
Barnstable
Barre
Belchertown
Berkley
Berlin
Beverly
Billerica
Bourne
Boxboro
Boylston
Brewster
Brimfield
Brookfield
Burlington
Carlisle
Carver
Chatham
Chelmsford
Chelsea
Chesterfield
Clinton
Cohasset
Concord
Danvers
Dedham
Dighton
Douglas
Dracut
Duxbury
East Bridgewater
Eastham
Easthampton
East Longmeadow
Easton
Essex
Everett
Falmouth
Fitchburg
Foxborough
Framingham
Franklin
Gardner
Georgetown
Goshen
Grafton
Granby
Hadley
Halifax
Hanover
Hanson
Harwich
Hatfield
Haverhill
Hingham
Holland
Hopedale
Hudson
Hull
Ipswich
Kingston
Lawrence
Lee
Leicester
Lenox
Leominster
Lexington
Lincoln
Littleton
Longmeadow
Ludlow

Lynnfield
Malden
Manchester
Marblehead
Marlborough
Marshfield
Mashpee
Medford
Methuen
Milford
Millbury
Milton
Nantucket
Needham
Newbury
Newburyport
Norfolk
Northampton
North Andover
North Attleboro
Northborough
Northbridge
North Reading
Norton
Norwell
Norwood
Orange
Orleans
Oxford
Peabody
Pelham
Pembroke
Petersham
Plainville
Plymouth
Plympton
Princeton
Provincetown
Quincy
Reading
Rehoboth
Revere
Rockland
Rockport
Rowley
Salem
Salisbury
Sandwich
Saugus
Scituate
Sharon

MEMBERS OF ONE COLLABORATIVE

Cities and Towns

Shrewsbury
Somerset
Southampton
Southboro
Southbridge
South Hadley
Southwick
Sterling
Stoneham
Stoughton
Sturbridge
Sutton
Swampscott
Tewksbury
Truro
Tyngsboro
Uxbridge
Wales
Walpole
Ware
Wareham
Wayland
Wellesley
Wellfleet
Westborough
Westford
Westhampton
Westminster
Weston
West Springfield
Westwood
Weymouth
Whitman
Williamsburg
Wilmington
Winchendon
Winchester
Winthrop
Woburn
Worcester
Wrentham

Regional School Districts

K-12:
Athol-Royalston
Berkshire
Blackstone-Millville
Dennis Yarmouth
Dudley-Charlton
Groton-Dunstable
Hamilton-Wenham
Mendon-Upton
Narragansett
Southern Berkshire

9-12:
Concord-Carlisle
Dighton-Rehoboth
Hampden-Wilbraham
Northboro-Southboro
Wachusett
Whitman-Hanson

7-12:
Acton-Boxboro
Amherst-Pelham
Ashburnham-Westminster
Berlin-Boylston
Dover-Sherborn
Hampshire
King Philip
Mahar
Masconomet
Plymouth-Carver
Quabbin
Silver Lake
Tantasqua
Triton

5-12:
Nauset

Vocational Districts

Assabet Valley
Bristol-Plymouth
Cape Cod
Greater Lawrence
Old Colony
Southeastern
Tri County
Upper Cape Cod

MEMBERS OF TWO COLLABORATIVES

Cities and Towns

Acushnet
Ashland
Auburn
Avon
Ayer
Bedford
Bellingham
Bolton
Braintree
Canton
Fairhaven
Harvard
Holbrook
Holden
Holliston
Hopkinton
Lancaster
Lunenburg
Mansfield
Marion
Mattapoisett
Medfield
Medway
Millis
Natick
Randolph
Rochester
Seekonk
Shirley
Spencer
Stow
Sudbury
Swansea
Webster
West Boylston

Regional School Districts

9-12	Nashoba
7-12	Old Rochester
K-12	North Middlesex

MEMBERS OF THREE COLLABORATIVES

Cities and Towns

Maynard

Cities And Towns That Are Not Members Of A Collaborative

Amesbury
Ashfield
Belmont
Boston
*Boxford
**Bridgewater
**Brockton
Brookline
Cambridge
Chicopee
Chilmark
Clarksburg
Conway
Dartmouth
Deerfield
*Dover
East Brookfield
Edgartown
Erving
Fall River
Florida
Freetown
Gloucester
Gosnold
Granville
Greenfield
Groveland
*Hampden
Hancock
*Hardwick
Holyoke
*Hubbardston
Lakeville
Lanesborough
*Leverett
Leyden
Lowell
Lynn
Melrose
Merrimac
**Middleborough
*Middleton
Monroe
Monson
Nahant
New Bedford
New Braintree
Newton
North Adams
North Brookfield
Northfield
Oak Bluffs
*Oakham
Otis
Palmer
*Paxton
Pittsfield
**Raynham
Richmond
Rowe
*Rutland
Sandisfield
Savoy
* **Sherborn
*Shutesbury
Somerville
Springfield
Sunderland
**Taunton
Tisbury
*Topsfield
Westport
Wakefield
Waltham
Warren
Warwick
Watertown
**West Bridgewater
West Brookfield
Westfield
West Newbury
West Tisbury
Whately
*Wilbraham
Williamstown

Regional School Districts That Are Not Members Of A Collaborative

K-12:
Adams-Cheshire
Central Berkshire
Gateway
Gill-Montague

K-6:
Buckland-Colrain-Shelburn
Hawlemont
New Salem-Wendell

5-12:
Freetown-Lakeville

7-12:
Frontier
Mohawk
Mount Greylock
Pentucket
Pioneer Valley
Quaboag

9-12:
Bridgewater-Raynham
Lincoln-Sudbury
Martha's Vineyard
Spencer-East Brookfield

Regional Vocational Districts That Are Not Members Of A Collaborative

Blackstone Valley
Blue Hills
Franklin County
Greater Fall River
Greater Lowell
Greater New Bedford
Minuteman
Montachusett
Nashoba Valley
Northeast Metropolitan
Northern Berkshire
North Shore
Pathfinder
Quinobin
Shawsheen
Southern Worcester County
South Middlesex
South Shore
Whittier

*Member of a Partial Regional School District that is a member of a Collaborative

**Member of a Regional Vocational District that is a member of a Collaborative

Excerpts from Policy,

Regulations, and Legal Opinions

Q. Are teachers employed by the collaborative eligible for participation in the State Teachers' Retirement System under G.L. Ch. 32?

A. The Teachers' Retirement Board at its regular monthly meeting of December 23, 1980, voted unanimously the establishment of a general policy to the effect that persons employed by collaboratives as "teachers" (as that term is defined by G.L. c32, S.1) who are certified for the position in which they are employed, must become members of the Teachers' Retirement System.

Q. Is a collaborative eligible for federal Surplus Property under P.L. 94-519?

A. Yes. A collaborative established pursuant to G.L. C.40, S.4E is eligible for federal surplus property as a public agency.

Q. May a collaborative acquire real property?

A. No. Chapter 40, Section 4E does not enlarge the powers of school committees. School Committees cannot purchase real property and there is nothing in Chapter 40, Section 4E which would allow school committees to do so.

Q. In the case of a superintendency union joining a collaborative, who is required to sign the collaborative agreement?

A. The Chairperson of each member school committee must sign the agreement on behalf of the full committee. Each school committee must also appoint its own representative to serve on the educational collaborative board. Such person may represent only one school committee.

Q. May a collaborative agreement permit a school committee to appoint an alternate or proxy voter to serve on a collaborative board in the absence of the original designee?

A. The statute is clear that a collaborative board may consist of only one representative from each member school committee with each representative entitled to one vote.

Q. Is it possible within the statutes to provide Chapter 74 reimbursement to collaboratives?

A. Section 9 of Chapter 74 specifically limits state reimbursements to be made to towns (cities) or regional school districts maintaining approved vocational schools. A collaborative does not come within the classification of a city, town, or regional school district and therefore no state reimbursements could be made to a collaborative.

Q. Does the state conduct audits of educational collaboratives?

A. The Department of Education conducts fiscal audits of educational collaboratives receiving state and federal grant monies. The Department of Revenue also conducts audits under G.L. C.44, S.40.

Q. Should school systems periodically review collaborative operations?

A. Board of Education Policy states that school systems participating in a collaborative shall at least annually undertake an internal fiscal and program audit of the collaborative. Every third year, the collaborative director should forward the audit report to the Department's Bureau of External Audit.

Q. What is required when a collaborative agreement is dissolved?

A. The collaborative agreement prior to its approval must address the manner in which the agreement may be dissolved and provide for the disposition of all unencumbered funds and all equipment and supplies. In addition, the Department of Education, through the appropriate regional education specialist must be notified in writing of the dissolution of the collaborative and the effective date of such dissolution. A person must be appointed locally who will be the contact with the Department of Education responsible for maintaining fiscal and programmatic records of the collaborative.

Q. Do collaborative employees have the right to bargain collectively?

A. In 1980, the Massachusetts Labor Relations Commission, in response to petitions filed on behalf of employees of two collaboratives, ruled that these employees were public employees under provisions of G.L. Chapter 150E and therefore entitled to bargain collectively.

Q. Do teachers employed by a collaborative have a right to tenure?

A. At the present time, it has not been found that collaborative employees have tenure rights under provisions of G.L. Chapter 71, Section 41.

MA ORGANIZATION OF EDUCATIONAL COLLABORATIVES

MOEC

In response to the proliferation in the number and activities of collaboratives during the past few years collaborative directors cooperated among themselves to form the MA Organization of Educational Collaboratives. MOEC was established in 1975 to assist its members in making effective use of their resources in identifying and resolving common problems. Members of MOEC are approximately thirty-five collaborative directors representing collaboratives which serve over 300 cities and towns throughout the state. MOEC collaborative directors elect officers and meet monthly to provide workshops and discuss common problems or innovated directions in education. Among MOEC's objectives are to provide technical assistance to existing and emerging collaboratives, to develop a clearinghouse for acquiring and disseminating relevant information on collaborative organization and programming and to assist its members and the state in planning for future collaborative growth.

For the past seven years MOEC has worked closely and cooperatively with the Department of Education to increase awareness of educational collaboratives and to identify and resolve common problems. Officers of MOEC for the 1982-83 school year are as follows:

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